

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Charles Donald Montgomery, Jr.
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Title: Method Of Adapting An Optical Network To Provide Lightpaths To
Dynamically Assigned Higher Priority Traffic
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Sir:

No additional fee is believed to be necessary at this time. However, if Commissioner believes that an additional fee is necessary, please charge said fee to CARSTENS & CAHOON, LLP Deposit Account No. 50-0392.

This Reply is filed in response to the Final Office Action dated November 1, 2007 for the application referenced above. Reconsideration of the Application in view of the amendments and remarks is respectfully requested. The applicable sections begin on the following pages:

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In response to the Final Office Action, Applicant offers the following: